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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. . . . . 61st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 62nd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Question of Palestine . . . . . [14]

   (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercice of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/61/35)

   (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/335)

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2. The situation in the Middle East . . . . . [13]

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/298 and A/61/355)

   (b) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36)

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Monday, 4 December 2006, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; fax 1 (212) 963-7878; tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from *today*, 30 November 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statement to no more than *five minutes*.

Launch of the Humanitarian Appeal 2007

The launch of the Humanitarian Appeal 2007 by the Secretary-General will take place *today*, 30 November 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jackie Behan (tel. 1 (917) 367-9765; e-mail behan@un.org).

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General Assembly
Sixty-first session

A plenary meeting will be held on Monday, 4 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 10 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict). The General Assembly will also take up the reports of the Sixth Committee. The Assembly will further take action on draft resolutions under agenda item 43 (Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin), agenda item 44 (Culture of peace) and sub-items (c), (e), (r), (s) and (t) of agenda item 108 (Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations).

Main Committees

Third Committee

10–11 a.m. 54th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Report of the Human Rights Council [68]

Draft decision A/C.3/61/L.58

2. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [110]

Programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly (A/C.3/61/L.61)

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Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

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Introduction and general discussion

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Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Capital master plan (A/61/549, A/61/5 (Vol. V), A/61/595, A/61/264 (Part I), A/61/263 (Part I)/Add.1, A/61/264 (Part I)/Add.2, A/60/288, A/60/5 (Vol. V), A/58/556, A/58/712, A/59/161, A/59/420 and A/59/556))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 25th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Draft report

Economic and Social Council

2006 resumed substantive session

5–5.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

5.30–6 p.m. 45th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Elections . . . . . [1]
   (a) Committee for Programme and Coordination
   (b) Committee for Development Policy (E/2006/9/Add.18)
   (c) Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/2006/9/Add.19)
2. Issues emanating from the ongoing informal consulations

General Assembly

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Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mrs. Deidre Mills (Jamaica), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)) — Role of microcredit and microfinance in the eradication of poverty

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 55 (d) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption)

From 1 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland) under agenda item 54 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 2 to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, (Côte d'Ivoire), under agenda item 69 (b) (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions) — Special economic assistance to Côte d'Ivoire

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Ms. Natalia Quintavalle (Italy), under agenda item 57 (b) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Ms. Nicole Ruder (Switzerland), under agenda item 53 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

From 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

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Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin (A/61/L.15), under agenda item 43 (convened by the delegation of Greece)

11 a.m.–12.15 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strenghtening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on the themes for the session of the Economic and Social Council; on the draft resolutions on: industrial development cooperation; causes of conflicts and promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa; UN-Habitat; United Nations Environment Programme; eradication of poverty; proclamation of international years; United Nations University; Agenda 21; climate change; desertification; and International Strategy for Disaster Relief; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)

9.15 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Eastern European States Group (at the ambassadorial level)

12.30–1.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

African Group (Third Committe experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator (on the Humanitarian Appeal 2007)

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 1 December 2006

General Assembly

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Informal Working Group on Mandate Review

10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Main Committees

Second Committee

The 31st meeting of the Second Committee will be held on Friday, 1 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Committee will take action, *inter alia*, on the following draft resolutions: A/C.2/61/L.46 and A/C.2/61/L.49[1], under agenda item 42 (Report of the Economic and Social Council); A/C.2/61/L.14, under agenda item 51 (a) (Macroeconomic policy questions: International trade and development); A/C.2/61/L.2/Rev.1[1], under agenda item 51 (d) (Macroeconomic policy questions: Commodities); A/C.2/61/L.21/Rev.1[1], under agenda item 53 (a) (Sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development); A/C.2/61/L.12 and A/C.2/61/L.47[1], under agenda item 55 (b) (Globalization and interdependence: International migration and development); and A/C.2/61/L.10/Rev.2[1], under agenda item 69 (b) (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions).

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B; and

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 1 December 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Monday, 4 December 2006, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All Member States are invited to attend.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Economic and Social Council
Briefing

There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, on the General Assembly resolution on "Strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" (A/61/L.24)[1] on Friday, 1 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The briefing is organized by the NGO Section, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and will include a statement by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Ali Hachani (Tunisia).

All are invited to attend. Copies of the resolution will be available in the room. For further information, please contact Ms. Erdwine Antoine, NGO Section, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8652; e-mail desangosection@un.org).

[1] To be issued as A/RES/61/16.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 1.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities, under agenda item 67 (b) (convened by the delegations of Mexico and New Zealand)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from *10 a.m. to 1 p.m.* in the *Trusteeship Council Chamber*.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace (A/61/L.11), under agenda item 44 (convened by the delegations of Pakistan and the Philippines)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Other forthcoming meetings

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UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. (at the Permanent Mission of Nigeria);

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[For further information and registration, please visit <www.unitarny.org>; or contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).]

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in Conference Room 2:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m in Conference Room 9; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006. from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Panel discussion on "Pediatric AIDS: The promise of new public-private partnerships", on the occasion of World AIDS Day (organized by the United States Mission)

Friday, 1 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "E-accessibility", on the occasion of the International Day of Disabled Persons, and presentation of the results of global Web accessibility audit (organized by the Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities)

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Edwards (e-mail edwardsv@un.org).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 November 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 29 November 2006

Security Council

5575th meeting

The situation in Somalia

Letter dated 21 November 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/913)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Somalia, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/921, submitted by Qatar.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/921) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/921) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1724 (2006).

General Assembly

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60th plenary meeting

Question of Palestine . . . . . [14]

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/61/35)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/335)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33 and A/61/L.34)

The President made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33 and A/61/L.34.

H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced the report of the Committee (A/61/35).

H.E. Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, Chairman of the observer delegation of Palestine, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those Member States which aligned themselves with the statement), the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Egypt, Tunisia, Kuwait, the Sudan, Saudi Arabia and Malaysia.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

298th meeting

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The President of the Security Council made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine read out a message from Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and President of the Palestinian Authority.

The Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories made a statement.

The representative of Cuba read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba, on behalf of the Chair of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

The representative of Azerbaijan read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan, in his capacity as Chairman of the Thrity-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

The representative of the Congo read a message from the President of the Republic of the Congo, in his capacity as Chairman of the African Union.

The Observer for the League of Arab States read a message from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States.

A representative of civil society organizations made a statement, on behalf of the International Coordinating Network on Palestine.

Messages on the occasion were received from the Heads of State of the following countries: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Bahrain, Brazil, Brunei Darusalam, Chile, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, Guinea, Guyana, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Maldives, Mexico, Morocco, Qatar, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Viet Nam.

Messages were received from the Heads of Government of the following countries: China, India, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius and Thailand.

Messages were received from the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the following countries: Belarus, Japan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Saudi Arabia, Syrian Arab Republic and Ukraine.

Messages were received from the European Union and the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

A statement was made by the Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

A concluding statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context. Sofia, 27 February 2001

Acceptance: Romania (16 November 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Namibia
H.E. Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende

Asian States:
Pakistan
H.E. Mr. Munir Akram

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Ivan T. Piperkov

Latin American and Caribbean States:
El Salvador
H.E. Mrs. Carmen María Gallardo Hernández

Western European and other States:
Luxembourg
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 29 November 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
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A/61/PV.29	Meeting held on 12 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.30	Meeting held on 13 October 2006, 10 a.m. [A]
	First Committee
A/C.1/61/PV.1	Meeting held on 28 September 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]
General Assembly	**Documents**
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